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In re Application of:	KIMMEL et al.	)	Docket No.: 00138CIPCON
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Application No.:	Unassigned	)	
		)	Parent Examiner: BELL, Bruce F.
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For: MODIFIED OXYGEN REDUCED VALVE METAL OXIDES

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to payment of any filing fees and examination of the above-identified patent application on the merits, the applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.